

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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LOK SABHA**

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Facilities for Differently Abled Students
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Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) the total number of fully or partially Government financed schools across the country, State/UT-wise;
- (b) the total number of differently abled students enrolled in these schools, State/UT-wise;
- (c) whether ramps have been constructed in these schools for making them easily accessible for such students and if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor;
- (d) whether the Government has formulated any scheme to promote the education for students with special needs living in villages/ rural areas deprived of high schools and if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) whether the Government proposes to set up hostels for such students and if so, the details thereof ?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT
(SHRI UPENDRA KUSHWAHA)

- (a): State/UT-wise details of Government and Government aided elementary and secondary schools including Kendriya Vidyalayas and Navodaya Vidyalayas are at Annexure-I.
- (b): State/UT-wise details of differently-abled students enrolled in these schools are at Annexure-II.
- (c): As per Unified District Information System for Education, 2015–16, 82.60% of elementary schools and 58.03% of secondary and senior secondary schools have been provided with ramps.
Out of 1136 Kendriya Vidyalayas running in the country, 93.39% Kendriya Vidyalayas have ramps. In Jawahar Navodaya Vidyalayas also, ramps and separate toilets for differently abled students have been made an integral part of building design.
- (d): Inclusive Education for Disabled at Secondary Stage (IEDSS) component of the integrated Rashtriya Madhyamik Shiksha Abhiyan (RMSA) scheme enables all children with special needs completing eight years of elementary schooling, an opportunity to complete four years of secondary schooling in an inclusive and enabled environment at the secondary level (Class IX-XII) in government schools.
- (e): Under the Centrally Sponsored Schemes of Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan and Rashtriya Madhyamik Shiksha Abhiyan, there is no such proposal at present. The focus of SSA is on inclusive education wherein all children with special needs (CWSN), are placed in mainstream neighbourhood schools to promote holistic development of these children.

The Department of Empowerment of Persons with Disabilities provides Grants-in-Aid to Non-Governmental Organizations running projects for the welfare of Persons with Disabilities, including projects for Special Schools for Children with Disabilities under the Central Sector Scheme namely Deendayal Disabled Rehabilitation Scheme.